

# THE MANSFIELD MINUTE

#### JANUARY 2013

- Recycle your Christmas tree at the town landfill. \$5.
- The landfill is open Tues. & Sat. 8:30AM to 4 PM Thurs. noon to 4 PM.
- Don't forget to pay the second half of your real estate taxes. The deadline is Friday, February 1st.
- The Animal Shelter can always use donations of dry dog & cat food. Kitty litter too.
- Town Hall will be closed on Monday, January 21, for Martin Luther King Day.
- You can pay your tax bill online.

#### **MUST SEE TV!**



Wonder what's going on at town meetings?

You can watch Mansfield Town Council meetings live on your computer at townhallstreams.com/locations/mansfield-ct as well as on your television by tuning to Charter Cable Channel 13.

You can also watch the meetings later using online on-demand access for at least 31 days following the meeting or watch the "re-runs" on Channel 13.

Visit <u>www.mansfieldct.gov/channel13</u> for a broadcast schedule.

Channel 13 is Mansfield's local government access station. Programming alternates between an informative message board and broadcasts of some of our public meetings.

#### Let's all stay safe and warm this winter.

Winter weather is upon us, and we need to be aware of safety as we work to keep the family warm.



- Never thaw frozen pipes with an open flame.
- Know where your water shut off valves are located – if your pipes burst, you'll be able to shut the water off right away.
- Only use space heaters that have been listed by a nationally recognized testing agency. Follow the instructions carefully, and monitor the fuel level.
- Any fuel burning device must be properly vented.
- Make sure you have a working CO detector! And spend a minute to check the smoke detectors too.

The Town has partnered with the Neighbor to Neighbor Energy Challenge to help you save on energy bills! For more information:

www.ctenergychallenge.com

860-372-4406

#### TOWN CLERK SERVICES — RECORDS & MUCH MORE

Visit the Town Clerk's office at Town Hall for the following services:

Recording of documents on Land Records, Issuing of marriage licenses & other Vital Records, Purchasing of Sport Licenses,

Issuing Bus Passes,

Providing copies of documents, maps and records, Filing liquor permits and trade name certificates, Filing Veterans Discharge Papers, Acting as notary public and certifying the appointments of other notaries,

Licensing of dogs,

Issuing absentee ballots,

Processing Raffle Applications,

Processing Freedom of Information Requests, and Updates the Town Code of Ordinances.

New! <u>Town Burial Records</u> are available online via the town clerk's web page.

### MANSFIELD HAPPENINGS

## January 2013 \* \* \* \*



















Jan. 3 — 7 PM TECHability: Ebooks and Ereaders AT THE LIBRARY

> Just get a new Nook, Kindle, or tablet over the holidays? We'll walk you through the basics of downloading ebooks, etc. No registration required.

Dec. 30 — Jan. 5 Open House AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

Everyone from all towns is welcome to use the Center free of charge all week. There will be free classes and demonstrations, Free family fun events & child care. There will be a chance to win a free 3 month membership & other membership specials. Call (860) 429-3015 for more information.

Jan. 5 — 10:30 AM Toddler Time Begins AT THE LIBRARY

Join us on Fridays from 10:30-noon in the Buchanan Auditorium. Toys, stories, and play! No registration required.

Jan. 12 — 3-5PM Winter Farmers Market AT THE LIBRARY

Storrs Winter Farmers Market offers Mansfield and its neighbors access to fresh, locally-grown foods all through the winter.

Jan. 15 — 12:45 PM Jin Shin Jyutsu Information Session AT THE SENIOR CENTER

> This is an exceptionally gentle, non-invasive therapy that works without the use of needles, pressure, or rubbing. Snow date: January 22, same time.

Jan. 22 — 1 PM Introduction to Computers AT THE SENIOR CENTER

> Five sessions, 1—3 PM, taught by Dan Gebbin, beginning this day. For beginners or those seeking more knowledgeable use of the computer. There is a \$10 fee for the entire course. Register at the senior center.

Jan. 24 — 7 PM **Healing Power of Meditation AT THE LIBRARY** 

> Matthew Raider, MD. a meditation practitioner for over 35 years, will discuss how meditation can improve our physical, mental & spiritual health. No registration.

Jan. 26 — 3-5PM Winter Farmers Market AT THE LIBRARY

Storrs Farmers Market is a certified farmers market, meaning that each vendor is a Connecticut farmer or producer.

Feb. 2 — Winter Fun Day

> Planning is underway for a weekend full of fun for all ages! For more information, visit www.mansfieldct.org/mdp.



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